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1. The reply filed on November 17, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following (omissions or matters): The claims are not in proper format according to Rule 1.121(c), which states that the text of all pending and withdrawn claims be presented in an amendment. Additionally, the claim status of the nonelected claims are incorrect. In the previous office action the only pending claims were 22, 25, 28 and 37, most of the other claims were withdrawn. Furthermore Applicant was directed that only the claims directed to a two layer structure were Applicant's original election, and that any more or any less would put the claims in the different groups as originally presented when Applicant was given a choice to choose from the variety of groups, however Applicant's counsel keeps adding claims and thus increasing the number of layers, every time this is done a restriction has been sent out in all the related cases, which slows down the prosecution. When remitting a response to this letter please only have claims, which are drawn to a two-layered composite as was originally elected. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bonafide, applicant is given ONE (1)MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1, 136(a)

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